Motion No. 1.

Mr. A. B. Salem.—*To reduce the allotment of Rs. 7,642 for 'XXXII—Miscellaneous—Miscellaneous and unforeseen charges' by Re. 1.*

Mr. A. B. Salem.—I don't move the motion.

Hence it was considered withdrawn.

Motions Nos. 2—3.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—*To reduce the allotment of Rs. 7,642 under "XXXII—9—Miscellaneous" by Re. 1.*

Do. *do.*

President.—Mr. Ramachandra Ayyar is absent.

Hence the motions were considered withdrawn.

Question proposed: *"That the additional allotment asked for be granted."*

Question put and agreed to.

Bill to amend the Cochin Penal Code.

President.—The demands are all over. We shall now pass on to the next item in the agenda, *viz.*, "the Law Member will move that the Bill to amend the Cochin Penal Code be taken up for consideration."

Mr. A. Sankara Menon.—Sir, I beg to move that the Bill to amend the Cochin Penal Code be taken up for consideration.

Mr. T. K. Krishna Menon.—I second it.

President.—After all this is a non-controversial measure.

Mr. A. Sankara Menon.—So it is open now to put that the Bill be taken into consideration to the vote of the House.

Question proposed: *"That the Bill to amend the Cochin Penal Code be taken up for consideration."*

Question put and agreed to.

Mr. A. Sankara Menon.—Sir, I move that, under Standing Order No. 41, the clauses of the Bill may be read one by one.

President.—It is better to read clause by clause. I think the preamble should be read last. I shall draw your attention to the clauses of the Bill so that they may all be formally voted by the House.

"Clause 1. This Regulation may be called 'the Cochin Penal Code Amendment Regulation of 1104' and it shall come into force at once."

Clause put and agreed to.

President.—"Clause (2). To section 346 of the said Code the following paragraph shall be added, namely:—

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"and whoever, by means of criminal intimidation as defined in this Code or of abuse of authority or any other method of compulsion, induces any woman to go from any place with intent that she may be, or knowing that it is likely that she will be, forced or seduced to illicit intercourse with another person shall also be punishable as aforesaid".

Clause put and agreed to.

President.—"Clause (3). After section 346 of the said Code the following sections shall be inserted, namely:—

346A. Whoever, by any means whatsoever, induces any minor girl, under the age of eighteen years, to go from any place or to do any act with intent that such girl may be, or knowing that it is likely that she will be, forced or seduced to illicit intercourse with another person shall be punishable with imprisonment which may extent to ten years and shall also be liable to fine.

346 B. Whoever imports into Cochin from any country outside India any girl under the age of twenty-one years with intent that she may be, or knowing it to be likely that she will be, forced or seduced to illicit intercourse with another person,

and whoever with such intent or knowledge imports into Cochin from any other part of India any such girl who has with the like intent or knowledge been imported into India, whether by himself or any other person, shall be punishable with imprisonment which may extent to ten years and shall also be liable to fine."

Clause put and agreed to.

President.—"Clause (4). In sections 352 and 353 of the said Code, for the word 'sixteen' the word 'eighteen' shall be substituted."

Clause put and agreed to.

President.—"Clause (5). In the second schedule to the Code of Criminal Procedure, Regulation II of 1086, after the entry relating to section 346 of the Cochin Penal Code, the following entries shall be inserted namely.—

346 A. Procuration of minor girl.	May arrest without Warrant.	Warrant.	Not bailable.	Not compoundable	Imprisonment of either description for ten years and fine.	Court of Session
346 B. Importation of girl from foreign countries.	May arrest without Warrant.	Warrant.	Not bailable.	Not compoundable.	Imprisonment of either description for ten years and fine.	Court o Session

Clause put and agreed to.

President.—The preamble of the Bill is "Whereas it is expedient further to amend the Cochin Penal Code for certain purposes, it is hereby enacted as follows:—"

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Preamble put and agreed to.

President.—Now your motion must be that the Bill may be taken up and passed.

Mr. A. Sankara Menon.—I move that the Bill to amend the Cochin Penal Code may be taken up and passed on Wednesday.

Mr. T. K. Krishna Menon.— I second it.

President.—The question before the House is that the Bill to amend the Cochin Penal Code be taken up and passed at a meeting on Wednesday, the 3rd of Dhanu 1105.

Question put and agreed to.

Bill to amend the Cochin Municipal Regulation XI of 1096.

President.—The next item is that the Law Member will move to introduce 'A Bill to amend the Cochin Municipal Regulation XI of 1096.'

Mr. A. Sankara Menon.—Sir, I move that the Bill to amend the Cochin Municipal Regulation XI of 1096 be read in Council. Sir, under the present Regulation companies cannot be taxed more than Rs. 250. That is the maximum allowed. When the Regulation was passed companies with larger capitals than 10 lakhs were not in existence. Now it is thought necessary to amend the Regulation so that those companies having larger capitals may be taxed more. This fact was brought to the notice of the Government by the Chairman of the Ernakulam Municipal Council. The maximum tax under this Regulation will be one thousand rupees instead of two hundred and fifty rupees under the present Regulation.

President.—Therefore, under the present Regulation the maximum is only Rs. 250 and by this amendment it will be five hundred rupees on companies having a capital of not less than twenty lakhs and thousand under companies having a capital of not less than fifty lakhs.

Mr. A. Sankara Menon.—Yes, Sir.

Mr. T. K. Krishna Menon.—I second it.

President.—Any Member wishing to speak on this Bill?

Mr. P. Krishna Menon.—Sir, I hope it is within the knowledge of this House that the point taken in this Bill is not the only point that has to be attended to so far as the Regulation XI of 1096 is concerned. A number of points upon which

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